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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

DARYL POPE

Art Unit

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 02 March 2011.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-48 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-48 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB-08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
- 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

1. The text of those sections of Title 35, U.S. Code not included in this action can be found in a prior Office action.

ART REJECTION:

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

2. Claims 1-48 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kayanakis, for the reasons of record as discussed in the previous office actions.

REMARKS:

Response to Arguments

3. Applicant's arguments filed 3/2/2011 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. Applicant's arguments have been addressed by examiner in the previous Art Rejections, as well, Response to Arguments in the "REMARKS" section of examiner's previous Office Actions. Applicant is again arguing that Kayanakis does not read on the claimed subject matter because of Kayanakis' treatment of the antenna(24) in relation to the integrated circuit(22). Applicant deems that, based on the teachings of Kayanakis, one of ordinary skill would have only been motivated to provide an antenna(24) on an inner surface of the protective coating overlays, and therefore, there would have been no suggestion or rationale to provide the integrated circuit(22) or antenna(24) on an outer surface of the protective overlays.

The examiner does not deem that a modification to Kayanakis, such as placing the antenna or circuit on an outer surface of the overlays, would change the principle of the operation of the Kayanakis. Benefits of placing the antenna on an outer surface,

such as, increased antenna reception, would have been inherent, and therefore deemed obvious to one of skill in the art at the time the invention was made. As well, the examiner's position to all of applicant's arguments have been clearly stated in previous office actions. Since applicant does not introduce any new concepts or arguments, the examiner will defer to responses to applicant's arguments as previously stated. In view of this, applicant's arguments are not deemed persuasive.

Conclusion

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to DARYL POPE whose telephone number is (571)272-2959. The examiner can normally be reached on 9-5.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, MIKE RAZAVI can be reached on 571-272-7664. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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